

In The Claims:

A marked-up version of the claims showing the amendments is attached hereto as Exhibit A. Matter that has been deleted from the claims is indicated by brackets and matter that has been added is indicated by underlining.

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1. (Once amended) A multi-layer film comprising at least three layers, an outer layer (A), an inner layer (I) and, disposed in between, a middle layer (M), each of which consists of up to 60 to 100% by weight of polypropylene materials and up to 40 to 0% by weight of a thermoplastic elastomer, respectively referring to the total weight of the respective layer, wherein following hot steam sterilization at 121°C or higher temperatures using a hot water spraying process, the multi-layer film displays no measurable yield according to DIN EN ISO 527-1 to -3.

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14. (Once amended) The multi-layer film according to claim 1, wherein the material of the middle layer (M) has a measureable yield of less than or equal to 8 Mpa when measured separately.

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23. (Once amended) The multi-layer film according to claim 1, wherein the layers (A), (M) consist of up to 100 % by weight and the layer (I) by up to 60 to 100 % by weight, of one or more polymers selected from the group consisting of homopolymers of polypropylene (homo-PP's), random copolymers of polypropylene (random co-PP's), block copolymers of polypropylene, flexible copolymers of polypropylene (co-FPO's), flexible copolymers of polypropylene (co-FPO's), and the layer (A) consists of additionally up to 40 to 0% by weight styrene-ethylene/butylene-styrene block copolymers (SEBS).

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24. (Once amended) The multi-layer film according to claim 23, wherein the layer (I) consists of up to 70 to 90% by weight of one or more polymers from the group consisting of homopolymers of polypropylene (homo-PP's), random copolymers of polypropylene (random co-PP's), block copolymers of polypropylene, flexible copolymers of polypropylene (co-FPO's), flexible copolymers of polypropylene (co-FPO's).

25. (Once amended) The multi-layer film according to claim 23, wherein the layer (A) consists of additionally up to 30 to 10% by weight of styrene-ethylene/butylene-styrene block copolymers (SEBS).

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30. (Once amended) A method of producing a multi-layer film according to claim 1, comprising joining the layers with one another.

31. (Once amended) The method according to claim 30, wherein the film is joined as a flat film.

REMARKS

Claims 1-34 were pending in the application. Claims 1, 14, 23-25, and 30-31 have been amended. Upon entry of these amendments, claims 1-34 will be pending and under active consideration. Claim 1 is independent. A marked-up version of the claims indicating the changes to the claims is attached hereto as Exhibit B. A copy of all pending claims, as amended, is attached hereto as Exhibit C. The amendments are supported fully by the claims and/or specification as originally filed and, thus, do not represent new subject matter.